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SUBJECT:

Further Negotiations Regarding Reopening of Cooperative
for American Remittances to Everywhere, Inc. (CARE) Office
in Poland

The Embassy has now received from Mr. Richard W. Reuter, of the New York office of CARE, a letter dated June 5, 1957, indicating the progress that is being made by CARE in its negotiations with the Polish Ministry of Labor and Social Welfare, which presumably will lead to the re-opening in Poland of CARE offices and activities.

A copy of Mr. Reuter's letter of June 5, together with copies of the two enclosures to that letter, are attached as Enclosures Nos. 1, 2, and 3, respectively. The Department will note that in Mr. Reuter's letter of May 27 to the Polish Undersecretary of the Ministry of Labor and Social Welfare (Mr. Kechanowicz), it is stated that the CARE's Board of Directors "have authorized a CARE program for Poland to begin on or about July 1, 1957." The letter then goes on to suggest that the first supplies to be sent might be packages of small tools and food for the Polish repatriates who are now returning from Russia. Mr. Reuter's approached the problem of sending "specifically designated packages" by stating "as discussed, it is likely that the packages provided to specific recipients by American donors should materially increase the overall total of aid through CARE."

The Department will note that Enclosure No. 3, comprising a revised draft of an agreement between the government of Poland and CARE, differs in a number of particulars from the original preliminary draft, a copy of which was sent to the Department as Enclosure No. 1 to Despatch 528 of May 17, 1957.

In the original draft the preamble paragraphs referred to individuals and organizations that would make gifts, and that would receive the parcels. In the revision the phrases referring to individuals and organizations are omitted. The revised draft in Paragraph 1, adds tools. Paragraph 2 (A) appears to limit CARE's area of solicitation to "the Americas"; the revision omits Paragraph 2 (b) of the original draft regarding designated gifts.

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The Department will also observe that the Appendix "A" to the revised draft agreement lists goods that are proposed to be given away in Poland, under five categories:

1. Technical, scientific, medical and agricultural equipment and supplies, including books.
2. Hand tools, supplies and books.
3. Packages of cloth.
4. Shipments of U.S. agricultural surplus commodities.
5. An 11 pound food package for individual or family use.

According to the correspondence sent to it by Mr. Reuter, it appears to the Embassy that although CARE has apparently made some concessions regarding its policy of individually specified gifts and recipients, there has not yet been reached a complete agreement on this aspect of the proposal. No publicity has appeared recently in the Polish press on this subject. The Embassy will continue to report on significant developments as they occur.

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Enclosures:

1. Copy of ltr from CARE dated June 5, 1957
2. Copy of ltr from CARE to Polish Min Labor and Social Welfare, dated May 27, 1957
3. Copy of draft agreement between Poland and CARE

Approved: *J. E. Jacobs*

J. E. Jacobs, Ambassador

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